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MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 9, 1985
TO: File
FROM: Sue Ryan *SPR*
SUBJECT: Illinois/R5-8303-01F
Lansing/Bee Chemical Company IL-0225

EPA Region 5 Records Ctr.



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A site inspection of the above named facility was conducted on July 25, 1985 by Sue Ryan and Luis Morales. Bee Chemical manufacturers specialty paints for automotive interiors, toys, and computer coverings and produces approximately two million gallons of paint per year. Hazardous wastes generated at the plant consist of spent solvents from tank cleaning. Solvents are stored outside in four 1500 gallon square tanks and are picked up once a week for off site recycling and returned to the site. Two of the tanks are contained in gravel dikes. Surface runoff and cooling water are discharged directly to the storm sewer.

The eleven acre site is fenced on 3 1/2 sides. A swamp borders the unfenced part of the site, and no security guard is present. A ditch along the west property line flows into the Little Calumet River. When the river floods, the Bee Chemical parking lot and the nearby homes usually flood. The parking log is being repaved. Bee Chemical uses municipal water and does not have a well.

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